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d Central Intelligence to the of the United States. hereby regraded accordance with CONFIDENTIAL in accordance letter of 16 October 1978 fr Director of Central Intelligence Archivist of the United States.

conference in the Soviet Zone Ministry of Information on , Polizeipraesident Waldemar was attended by Information Minister Gerhard Eisler schmidt, Vizepraesident Alfred Schoenherr, four PK-Leiter of the Volkspolizei, Poviet Army officer Takarov (fnu), and his interpreter weber (fnu), two other Soviet officers and two representatives of the Soviet 4one German overnment.

lakarov issued an order that all civilian guards in nationalized enterprises and government offices be immediately placed under the jurisdiction of the Volkspolizei, but remaining administratively attached to their former employers. New guards were to be hired only through the appropriate VP offices. Il guards who had been discharged from police service after 1945 for any reason were also to be removed from guard service. All guard personnel were to be provided with firearms, such as pistels and carbines, and take part in biweekly arms instruction conducted by VP personnel. All guard personnel were to be issued uniforms as speedily as possible. Makarov wanted a written statement on the execution of these orders by 1 October 1950.

- 3. During the subsequent discussion the German participants expressed their doubts about the issue of arms to all guard personnel. Makarov replied that he thought only politically reliable guards were employed, at least he had been informed to this effect. Makarov said that he had ordered the removal from guard service of all ex-police as an additional safeguard.
- 14. Makarov also ordered a further purge of the entire Volkspolizei by 1 Movember 1950. He said that he was aware that many unreliable elements were still in the ranks of the Volkspolizei. Vizepraesident schoenherr was particularly attacked by him. *

Comment. In 1949 the Betriebsschutz A (category A industrial guards) 25X1A in major industrial enterprises was taken into the Volkspolizei. Resides the Petriebsschutzpolizei (industrial police) originated from this category A, there continued to function a Betriebsschutz B organization composed of civilians. So far, no information has been received that these civilian guards have also been subordinated to the Volkspolizei and provided with arms. Polizeipraesident

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Waldemar Schmidt and Vizepraesident Alfred Schoenherr are known from press reports. However, according to the <u>Berliner Zeitung</u>, issue of 27 September 1950, VP Inspekteur Emil Rische was <u>named Vizepraesident</u> on 27 September 1950. Press reports have given Major Makarov as Berlin SCC officer in charge of police matters.

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